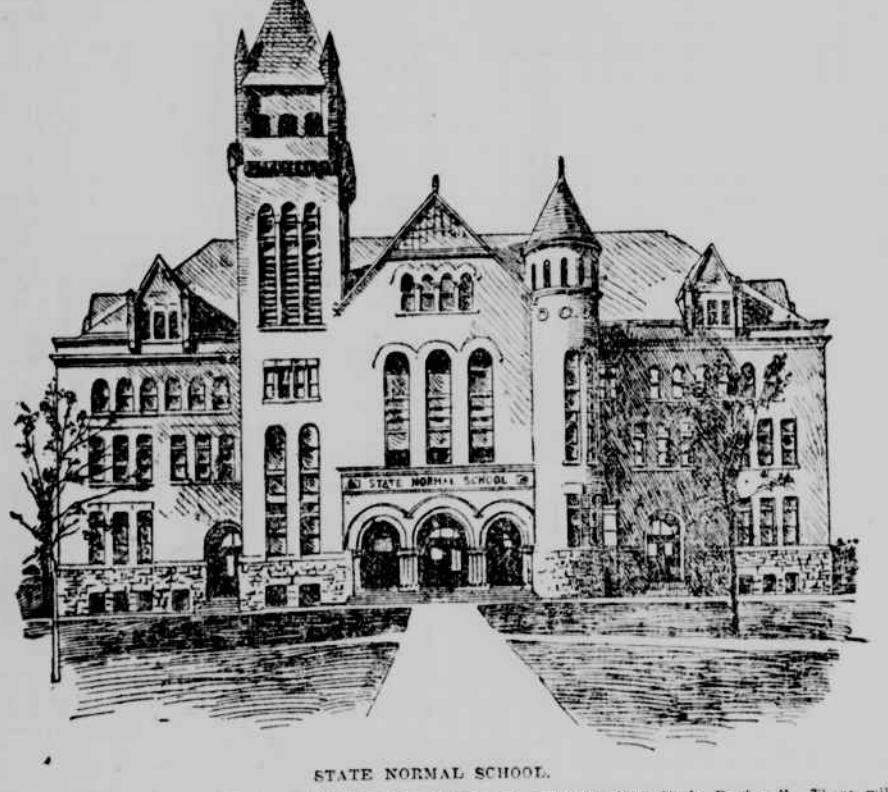


STUDY IN THE MOUNTAINS.

THE ROMAN CATHOLIC SUMMER SCHOOL
ON LAKE CHAMPLAIN.A PLACE OF SPLENDID VIEWS—NEW BUILDINGS
TO BE ERECTED—FINE COURSES
OF LECTURES.

(FROM A STAFF CORRESPONDENT OF THE TRIBUNE)

Plattsburgh, N. Y., July 11.—The prominent citizens of this place are hard at work just at present preparing to receive the scholars who will come here upon July 15 to attend the Roman Catholic summer school, which will then be formally opened by Bishop Gabriel, of Ogdensburg. Inasmuch as the school will have to occupy temporary quarters in the village, and the scholars likewise be lodged at hotels and at houses in the same place, a good deal of work has to be done which will not have to be executed in the coming years, when the trustees have erected the permanent buildings of the school on the land recently presented to the school, and when there have also been erected the numerous cottages and hotels which always exist upon the grounds of such schools.



STATE NORMAL SCHOOL.

In the mind's eye of the residents of Plattsburgh the summer school in a few years will be to Northeastern New-York what the Chautauqua summer school is now to Southwestern New-York—the summer resort of thousands of men and women seeking to combine rest and study in the summer time. The school was organized at New-Lyndon, Conn., a year ago, rather as an experiment, but it proved to be a successful undertaking, and then its originators looked about for a permanent home for it. Land was offered to them in New-Jersey and by Dr. W. Seward Webb, upon the line of the new Adirondack and St. Lawrence Railway, but they finally accepted the land offered them at Plattsburgh, deeming it the best for their purpose.



PLATTSBURGH OPERA HOUSE.

The land which was presented to the trustees of the school comprises 450 acres upon the shore of Lake Champlain some three miles from Plattsburgh. The land forms part of the Armstrong farm, noted for its fertility. Adjacent to the farm is Bluff Point, a large and lofty wooded headland projecting far into Lake Champlain on the summit of which there has been erected one of the great hotels of the region—the Hotel Champlain. The pretty station upon the Delaware and Hudson Railroad, at which travellers alight who are going to the hotel, will also be used by the students of the school.

The school property has a frontage upon the lake of half a mile. This frontage has a beautifully diversified character, some of it consisting of a finely wooded bluff and a portion of a sandy beach, and another of a rocky shore. Lake Champlain is seven or eight miles in breadth at this point, and from its shore one can look over its waters for thirty miles to the southward and for fifteen miles to the northward.

A large body of water will thus be visible to the scholars at the school, and they will have a chance to entertain themselves by fishing and boating. The fishing is excellent, the summer tourist not yet having caught all the fish in the lake.

The school will also have a beautiful site owing to its commanding a beautiful view of the grandest mountains in Vermont, while line the horizon to the eastward across the lake, Mount Mansfield and the other high mountains of the Green Mountain chain are plainly visible. Moreover, to the westward from the heights of Bluff Point are plainly visible Whiteface Mountain, and other high mountains in the Adirondacks. This commanding site is now being surveyed and the roads and streets staked out upon it by John V. Tyler, the well-known landscape engineer of Brooklyn. Permanent buildings for the school, and hotels and cottages for the students will be erected the coming year.

While the grounds are under preparation and the plans for the buildings are being drawn the school will occupy temporary quarters the present year in the State Normal school, the new Opera House and the High School Building. The lectures will be delivered in the new Opera House, which is the pride of Plattsburgh. It is indeed a great credit to the village. Places with tenfold the population do not have as handsome a building or as well equipped a theatre. Its erection was due to the self-sacrificing spirit of Smith W. Fitch, Congressman Weyer, Judge Kellogg, George S. Wood, John B. Riley and other prominent citizens of Plattsburgh. The Normal School is also a new building, and its school rooms are admirably adapted to any use for which the trustees of the Roman Catholic Summer School may desire to put them.

The session of the school the present year will be from July 15 to August 16. The people of this village, with a view of aiding the school all in their power, will in a large number of cases take boarders for this year. Religious services of a special nature will be held in the church of the Very Rev. T. E. Walsh, V. G., here upon July 16, 23, 30 and August 6. Bishop Gabriel has authorized the sisters of the religious communities devoted to teaching in his diocese to attend the lectures at the school. Bishop Keane, of Washington, will be one of the visitors.

Five of the trustees constitute the Board of Studies, as follows: The Rev. Thomas McMillan, chairman; the Rev. F. P. Siegfried, Brother Azarias, John H. Haaren and George E. Hardy, secretary. The following lectures are to be delivered the present year:

First week, July 17 to 21, the Rev. J. A. Zahm, of Notre Dame University, Ind., five lectures on "Science in Relation to Religion"; the Rev. J. A. Donnan, of Boston College, Mass., four lectures on "Mental Philosophy." Other lectures assigned are: The Very Rev. Dr. A. F. Hewitt, of the Paulist Fathers, New-York, subject, "Authenticity of the Gospels"; Thomas M. Cummings, of Boston, Mass., subject, "Columbus and the Discovery of America"; Hon. T. Goessman, of Amherst, Mass., subject, "Indebtedness of America to Isabella the Catholic"; Agnes L. Lordier, of New-York, subject, "Women of the American Revolution"; Donald Downie, of Montreal, Canada, subject, "New France and Old France."

Second week, July 24 to 28: Brother Azarias, of De La Salle Institute, New-York, five lectures on "Educational Epochs"; Richard Malcom Johnston, of Baltimore, Md., five lectures on "Studies Among Famous Authors"; one lecture from each of the fol-

lowing: The Rev. A. P. Doyle, Editor of "The Catholic World," New York, subject, "Catholic Educational Institutions"; the Rev. Daniel J. O'Sullivan, of St. Albans, Vt., "Lake Champlain and Its Discoveries"; the Rev. W. Livingston, of St. Joseph's Seminary, Troy, N. Y., subject, "Life and Lyric Poetry of Longfellow"; George Parsons Lathrop, of New-York, subject, "Gensis and Society."

Third week, July 31 to August 4: The Rev. P. A. Halpin, of St. Francis Xavier's College, New-York, five lectures on "Ethical Problems of the Era"; Dr. J. G. McNamee of New-York, five lectures on "Socialism and Materialism"; the Rev. Dr. T. G. Conaty, Editor of "The Catholic School and Home Magazine," of Worcester, Mass., two lectures on "Celtic Literature" and "Irish Writers in English Literature"; also lectures from Dr. J. Bodily, of the College of Worcester, Mass., London, England, on "Electricity and Magnetic Phenomena"; and from the Rev. L. F. Keeney, of Somerset, Ohio, subject, "What We Owe to the Sons of a Thousand Ages."

Bishop Gabriel has arranged to hold a series of receptions on Friday afternoons as follows: Student school teachers, July 21; the Rev. Edmund J. Miller, director of St. Paul's School, of New-York, and his side, Roman Catholic editors and writers, July 25; George C. Hardy, chairman of press committee of Roman Catholic Summer School for the session of 1893, presiding; Roman Catholic reading circles, and the Rev. Morgan W. Clegg, president of Roman Catholic Education Union, presiding. Points of discussion are to be furnished by Warren E. Mosher,

at All Angels' Church. The sermon was preached by the Rev. Dr. Thomas Gallaudet, of New-York.

THE CLOSING HOURS AT NORTHFIELD.

EARNEST WORDS TO THE STUDENTS BY PROFESSOR DRUMMOND AND OTHERS.

NORTHFIELD, Mass., July 13 (Special).—The last plenary meeting of the World's Students' Conference was held at 8 o'clock last night, when Stone Hall was filled to overflowing with students and visitors. Professor Drummond was the first speaker of the evening. His intention, he said, was to state a few principles that might be of use to the students. In his opinion, he found a sketch of an ideal man in the Bible. "A man after my own heart shall fulfill all my will." The first thing a man needs is to be willing for being born at all. "I come to do Thy will, O God." The object of life is simply to do the will of God. Food for the ideal man—"My meat is to do the will of Him that sent me and to finish His work." Companionship for the ideal man—Whosoever doeth the will of My Father which is in Heaven, the same is My brother. My sister and My brother." Language ideal man's prayer, "Thy will be done." Education—Teach me to do Thy will, O God." Enjoyment—"I delight to do Thy will, O God." Finally, "He that doeth the will of God abideth forever."

The Rev. Mr. McBride, president of the Knoxville Summer School, spoke a few pungent words contrasting the spiritual condition of the North and south, taking as his text, "Jesus Christ for the whole world." Mr. Beach of China, spoke of the great helpfulness of the conference to him, and said: "I also give you a text, 'Walk in the light even as He is in the light.' Mr. White, who goes in a few weeks to India as a foreign missionary, left some earnest words with the students in regard to the claims of India. He referred to the 50,000 students in Calcutta, only fifty of whom were Christians. A resolution was adopted to send the earnest greetings of the World's Students' Conference to the students of Calcutta.

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